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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
THROUGH: Deputy Director (Intelligence)
SUBJECT: Brief for Conversation with Mr. Dodge on
the Latter's Letter Refusing to Approve
CIA's Request to Support PPO and Map
Attaches on an Emergency Basis

It is recommended that the DCI take the following position with Mr. Dodge:

1. The Dodge letter suggests that there is a need for long-range solution to the problem of CIA support for intelligence activities of other departments. He should be informed that we are in agreement with that and have in fact prepared a statement of policy on which the informal views of the Bureau will be appreciated and solicited in the near future (prior to IAC consideration and NSC action).
2. However, this long-range solution, even if acceptable to all concerned, will in all likelihood not have applicability until fiscal year 1956. It thus cannot provide an answer to the emergency situation which now faces the DCI and caused him to approach the Bureau on this matter.
3. Accordingly, and because of the importance to the intelligence community of the continuation of these posts, as specified in the attachment hereto, the DCI is obligated to find an immediate solution.

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4. The DCI therefore recommend to Mr. Dodge that he reconsider his decision in his letter of 9 October 1953 and that if he feels it necessary, the Bureau take appropriate action with Congress to make clear that there is no intent to violate the intent of Congress. Congress did not intend to effect this particular cut. It was not informed of the consequences to national intelligence, and, in our opinion, the members of Congress who considered CIA's budget expected CIA to use its appropriation as a whole to procure whatever intelligence the DCI and the IAC determine to be essential to the national security.

5. We had considered the possibility of solving this immediate problem by using personnel on temporary duty from Washington, their expenses to be paid by CIA. However, this collection effort requires continuous presence of qualified personnel with the possible exception of the post at [redacted] It is now believed that the map procurement program [redacted] could be handled for a short time on a temporary duty basis.

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